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Marginal Column

By GEORGE LEONOF

"ALL things come to him who waits" may well be Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill's sentiment now that the conference between President Eisenhower, Premier Laniel and himself is to be held following a delay of six months. The British Premier, rapidly qualifying as an octogenarian, is not exactly of the right age for this particular brand of philosophy, and his patience, quiet determination and consistency are all the more admirable for this. Not once in his statements during the time that the Bermuda conference was in abeyance has Sir Winston retreated from his conviction that peace by negotiation was an attainable end, that the political climate has mellowed and that only patience and persistent endeavour towards this goal were needed to bring it about.

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DURING the three weeks that remain before the three Western leaders meet on December 4, the world Press will no doubt be deluged with reams of speculatory material and expert if contradictory opinions on what is to be discussed, and even decided, and it would be idle to attempt prognostication here. President Eisenhower at his Press conference yesterday said that there is, in fact, no agenda for the Bermuda parley. The President is undoubtedly correct in that no official, meticulously itemised list has been prepared, but it would be difficult to believe that either Sir Winston or M. Joseph Laniel would undertake a cross-Atlantic jaunt for a casual exchange of views at this particular time, when the world, its hopes aroused, is expectantly awaiting concrete decisions after a wearying period of views aired and notes exchanged. Nor is it probable that President Eisenhower is unaware of the dangerous disillusionment into which the nations would sink as a result of bathos at Bermuda.

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IF the outcome of the December conference cannot be known in advance, however, the moods which the three statesmen will bring to their Atlantic rendez vous are at least discernable. These moods are not analogous, and should be viewed against the backdrop of the latest Soviet reply to the West's request for a Foreign Ministers' conference at Lugano, particularly on the German question. The Soviet note, while not rejecting the idea of such talks in principle, requested clarification as to whether the West envisaged such a quadripartite conference while simultaneously going ahead with their prior, tripartite commitments to rearm Germany and bring her into the European Defence Community. If so, the Kremlin bluntly stated, the talks would be pointless.

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NEITHER the United States nor Britain, however, have shown any sign that they intend to drop their plans for Germany. Sir Winston, in fact, has caused no little anxiety and resentment in France by suggesting that if the Quai d'Orsay continued to hedge on the question of E.D.C. ratification, German soldiers might be permitted to goosestep over the E.D.C. and straight into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. If the French mood has changed in the last six months, however, the shift has not been in the direction of ratification, and M. Laniel can hardly escape strong pressure on this question.

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ON the question of the Far East, not the least important American statement in the last few weeks has been that of the American Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, regarding the U.S. position on recognition of People's China. His declaration that the American Government has never said it would be forever opposed to such recognition, provided the Peking Government renounces aggression and abides by the United Nations Charter, brings American policy perceptibly closer to that of Britain and France. M. Laniel has only recently stated that his Government would not object to negotiating with China if such talks promised a solution to the eight-year old war in Indo-China.

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THERE undoubtedly remain many obstacles to a happy dovetailing of Western policies in Europe and Asia. But it is because they must be surmounted as a prerequisite to talks with the USSR — a much more imposing barrier — that the Bermuda meeting will be so closely and hopefully followed.

Jerusalem, November 11.

POLITICAL AMNESTY

BUENOS AIRES, Wednesday (AP). — The Peron Government announced today plans to grant an amnesty to political prisoners held in Argentina jails and to political exiles abroad.

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Eisenhower Says He Disapproves Truman Subpoena

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — President Eisenhower said today that he was personally opposed to the summoning of former President Truman to answer questions on Republican charges that he had sanctioned the promotion of a "known Communist spy."

Questioned at his weekly Press conference about charges that President Truman had knowingly harboured an alleged spy, the deceased Harry Dexter White, in government service and had promoted him, Mr. Eisenhower said it was inconceivable that a man in Mr. Truman's position would knowingly damage the United States.

Regarding the subpoena which has been issued by the Chairman of the Un-American Activities Committee of the House of Representatives to President Truman, a subpoena without precedent in U.S. history, President Eisenhower said that he was not going to criticize the Congress but his personal reaction was that he would not issue such a subpoena.

Summing up his views, Mr. Eisenhower said that anyone who did not recognize that the great struggle of the times was ideological — of regimentation and of slavery against the concept of freedom on which the U.S. Government was founded — was not looking the question squarely in the face.

In New York yesterday, Mr. Truman "graciously" accepted a subpoena to appear before the Committee on Friday in Washington.

Mr. Eisenhower said some days ago that Attorney-General Herbert Brownell reported to him that certain facts concerning White's promotion had come to light which he felt should be made available to the public. The President said Mr. Brownell himself must make his own decision to do so.

Mr. Eisenhower added he had learned of later developments, such as the issuing of the subpoena to Mr. Truman, from the newspapers.

BYRNES REFUSES TO APPEAR

COLUMBIA, South Carolina, Wednesday (UP).—Governor James F. Byrnes today refused to comply with a summons to testify tomorrow before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

He offered, however, to answer promptly any question the Committee cared to submit to him. He also said he would be glad to answer the Committee's questions in the State House here.

A Committee representative last night served Mr. Byrnes with a subpoena which summoned him to testify tomorrow on what he knows about the late Harry Dexter White's affiliation with Communism.

Jerusalem Shoe Firm Closing Averted

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The threatened closure tomorrow of the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation was averted temporarily, as a result of yesterday's meeting between Ministry of Commerce and company representatives, it was learned last night.

On the basis of Ministry figures, it was established that a sufficient supply of raw materials exists for the production of a minimum of about 350,000 pairs of shoes, a Ministry spokesman claimed. He added that not all the material was of first grade quality. A spokesman for the company told *The Jerusalem Post* that only a small percentage of the total amount was suitable for its use, but on the basis of an emergency foreign currency allocation to be issued by the Ministry soon, it would be able to use part of the local stocks.

The company and the Ministry have agreed in principle on the establishment of a public investigation committee. The Ministry is still negotiating with proposed candidates for the committee. Until this is completed, the terms of reference are not established.

It is expected that the first shipment of orders of hides and leather from Reparations funds will arrive by late January, the Ministry spokesman

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Mapai Names Group For Coalition Talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Prime Minister Ben Gurion's decision to resign his post was "noted with deepest regret" by the Mapai Central Committee tonight. Mr. Ben Gurion was described by the Committee as "extraordinary and unique," one who "leads the Party's thinking and urges it onwards toward courageous acts." His resignation, it was stated, was considered by his comrades as in the nature of "rest leave" only.

The Political Committee of the Party, which met later in the evening, appointed a five-man sub-committee to conduct negotiations on the formation of the future coalition. The Committee will aim at the retention of the present coalition with the possible addition of those parties willing to accept its fundamental bases, a Mapai spokesman told reporters tonight.

Subcommittee Members

Members of the sub-committee are: Mr. L. Eshkol, Mrs. G. Myerson, Mr. M. Argov, Secretary General of Mapai, Mr. M. Namir, Secretary General of the Histadrut, and Mr. A. Govrin. It might be noted that Mr. P. Lavon, who had been most prominent in the creation of the present coalition, is not included.

A Mapai Council meeting will be called within a fortnight to discuss education, the spokesman said. A leading question before the Council will be the "flag issue," for the Council will be asked to reverse a recommendation of the Central Committee that the Labour flag be permitted to be flown by State schools on May Day and Histadrut holidays.

Mr. Ben Gurion was present both at the Central Committee and the Political Committee meetings. His final letter of resignation was read to the Central Committee. It stated that it was wrong to represent his resignation from the Cabinet as a complete separation from political life.

Won't Leave Everything

"You know I am not able to leave everything behind me," he wrote. "I would never think of not doing my best to build this country and defend it."

The Prime Minister expressed his "deep trust in this nation and in our Party." The greatest and most valiant deeds are yet to come, he declared. There is great scope for pioneering youth in agriculture and in industry. The Party, he added, will be faithful to its historic duty if it puts forward the need to serve — "to serve without asking for special privileges or conditions."

The last sentence in the letter may have inter-party significance, for it reads: "I would allow myself to offer only one suggestion: to ask our comrades in the Cabinet to consult other members of the Cabinet on who should be the new Prime Minister — and to assure the stability of the Coalition, perhaps enlarged, to last until the end of the term of the Second Knesset."

Progressives Won't Bolt, Serlin Says

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mr. J. Serlin, the Minister of Health, told the Press in Jerusalem yesterday that the General Zionists would not give up the 10% clause which would bar the smaller parties from the Knesset. He did not think that this would move the Progressive Party to leave the Coalition at this juncture.

So far as he knew, Mr. Pinhas Rosen, the Minister of Justice, wants to leave the Government, but this was for private reasons.

During his recent visit Dr. Nahum Goldmann met with the Minister of Health on three occasions, one of which was with the other General Zionist ministers. These constituted private talks on the possibility of a merger between the General Zionists and the Progressives, with an eye to the fact that both parties belong to the World Confederation of General Zionists, and that until the formation of the present coalition the sole division between them was the issue of participation in the Government.

Dr. Goldmann suggested that the parliamentary parties unite and that the two parties go together to the polls for both the Knesset and the Zionist congress.

Dr. Goldmann will return to Israel in the middle of December.

Economic Ministers Discuss Bus Fares

The bus cooperatives' demands, the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation controversy, Reparations purchases and the Equalisation Fund were discussed at yesterday's meeting of the Economic Ministers Committee in Jerusalem.

It was decided that the Minister of Communications, Mr. J. Saphir, should prepare a report on the financial situation of the bus cooperatives. It is possible that Mr. Saphir will order the inspection of the companies' books. The feeling of the Ministers, *The Jerusalem Post* was told, is opposed to any rise in fares.

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Z. Susayeff, reported on the developments regarding the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation. The Ministers agreed to the establishment of a public committee, it was learned.

Lebanese Attack Israel Police Boat

An Israel police boat was attacked by automatic fire on Lake Kinneret yesterday at 10 a.m. The shots came from the direction of the Syrian village of Aakeb, the Army spokesman announced.

The police returned fire. They suffered no casualties during the shooting, which lasted 15 minutes.

Israel has complained to the Mixed Armistice Commission.

The Israel-Lebanese Mixed Armistice Commission considered, at an emergency meeting on Tuesday, the Israel complaint on the shooting at Malchiya on Sunday, the spokesman said.

The Lebanese delegates apologised for the incident and said they were doing all they could to bring the guilty to justice.

The Israel delegates noted the Lebanese reply and asked for strong measures to avoid such incidents in the future, the spokesman said.

The text of the communique issued by the Truce Supervision Organization follows:

An emergency meeting of the Lebanese-Israel Mixed Armistice Commission was held at Metulla on November 10, 1953 to discuss an Israel complaint of firing at the kibbutz on November 8, 1953 where a man was slightly injured.

The Delegate of Lebanon pointed out that a thorough search is being made and already two men have been killed and one arrested, while a full search continues for the remaining four men who are still free. The Delegate of Israel asked Lebanon to make the utmost efforts to arrest them and bring them to justice because a renewal of incidents might result in retaliatory measures from civilians along the border.

No resolution was passed at the meeting.

Made No Statement

(The Army spokesman, commenting on the TSO communique, categorically denied that the Israel delegate had made the statement attributed to him. Rather, the U.N. Chairman, in summing up the meeting, said that the Lebanese would do well to implement their promise to prevent infiltrating bands from entering Israel lest Israel civilians living on the border seek retaliation.)

Two encounters between Israel Security Forces and armed infiltrators occurred during the week ending November 6, the Army spokesman announced yesterday. One infiltrator was killed and four captured.

In 11 robberies which took place during the same period, about 250 metres of irrigation pipes, some work tools and telephone wires were stolen.

Population Redistribution Suggested by Rokach

Redistribution of the population to balance the present abnormal ratio of urban to rural populations was advocated last night by the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Israel Rokach, speaking in Jerusalem to a group of Government officials. He did not, however, suggest how this was to be carried out.

Mr. Rokach also suggested the formation of county councils for joint municipal services. He advocated abolishing the business tax and substituting a special business tax to be paid to the Municipalities.

Mr. Rokach made no reference to the Jerusalem Municipal crisis, but he stated that unless the Health Department closed the several schools that are in a poor sanitary condition, he would do so himself.

Churchill to Seek Eisenhower's Consent to Big-Four Parleys

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM,
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Wednesday. — Official quarters here are reluctant to speculate on the agenda of the Bermuda Conference.

This is understandable for the meeting seems to have been arranged primarily to satisfy Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill's persistent request for high-level talks. There is a natural assumption that Sir Winston will try to gain President Eisenhower's support for a meeting with the Russians or possibly for a private Churchillian reconnoitring visit to Moscow: two projects opposed by U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles during his recent stay here.

Beyond that, the only certainty is that the announcement has caused dismay in Paris where it is suspected that America and Britain will put fresh pressure on France to ratify the E.D.C. Treaty.

Since the French presidential elections occur in December, the Conference comes at the worst possible moment and if Premier Joseph Laniel goes he will cut an embarrassing figure. All this is as well understood here as in Paris, but the Americans seem decided to humour Sir Winston during his last months in office and in the circumstances his own countrymen can hardly do less.

There is a faint possibility that Bermuda will be put to some use by being made the occasion for another Allied statement on Trieste, this time with French concurrence.

Sentiment is now turning in Yugoslavia's favour, the Italians having spoiled their case by exaggeration and by obvious manoeuvres to split America from Britain.

The responsibility of gangs of Fascists and professional criminals from the Trieste slums for the recent clashes has become known here and caused some hardening of feeling.

Since Sir Winston will probably attempt a grand review of all current questions, the Middle East is likely to figure on the agenda and another Tripartite Declaration of peace between Israel and the Arabs is a possibility.

Beyond such gestures, it is difficult to see what the Conference can produce. Moscow seems determined to evade talks on Germany or indeed on any subject and the American emphasis on domestic spy hunts makes it improbable that the Western Powers will seize the opportunity presented by the Kremlin's economic worries to force a peaceful Russian retreat from some outlying bastions.

Eban Exposes Falsehoods In Syrian Plaint

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (UP).—Israel Ambassador Abba Eban, commenting last night on the statement in the U.N. Security Council by Syria on the disputed Jordan river project, said the Israel delegation "noted with satisfaction that progress is being made in the present Security Council discussions on the Syrian complaint, because it is proving conclusively that no obstacles exist to the B'not Ya'acov canal project in law or in fact which are not capable of a swift, simple solution within the terms of the General Armistice Agreement.'

He said he would comment in detail on the Syrian speech at the next Council session. Referring to Syria's comments about land, Mr. Eban said:

'Grotesque Falsehood'

"The statement that 99% of the land in the demilitarized zone is Arab-owned is a grotesque falsehood and in complete contradiction to the documents presently on this table, which state conclusively that only small parcels of land are involved.

"Mr. Zein e-Din seems to attach great importance to this matter. It is a question of fact on which we are prepared to let the issue rest: whether our plan can be carried out without encroachment on legitimate land interests.

"If that is the only obstacle, it can be solved quickly and satisfactorily in the interests of the land-owners.

On Syria's water claims he said: "Even on the basis of the exaggerated estimates put forward by the Syrian representative, he confesses that the only existing Syrian interest is the irrigation of a piece of land which he describes as 6,000 acres but which we believe to be only 6,000 dunams, a quarter of his estimate.

Israel's Share 98%

"If Israel is right, then this means that farmers in Syria are concerned with only 1 to 1.5% of the water of the Jordan at that point. If Syria is right, the percentage rises to 2%.

"Therefore, the issue is whether Israel's rights and capacities to use 98% of the water for constructive work should be throttled in favour of an interest affecting at most 2% of the water, when we are ready and able to satisfy even that interest. This more than anything else shows the frivolity of the Syrian complaint."

A.J.A. Rejects Motion To Rejoin Board of Deputies

LONDON, Wednesday (INA).—A proposal that the Anglo-Jewish Association rejoin the Board of Deputies was defeated by a large majority last night.

Opposition to reaffiliation came from former Board President Neville Laski, who said there was no evidence of any desire on the Board's part for the return of the A.J.A.

A.J.A. President Ewen E.S. Montagu also opposed reaffiliation to the Board and pointed out that some members of the A.J.A. were also members of the Board and "it would be duplication for the A.J.A. itself to be represented."

Mr. Montagu's statement that Israel's attack on Kibya was "wholly unjustifiable" but that the world should remember it was caused by "an explosive situation" is rapidly becoming a *cause célèbre* in the Anglo-Jewish community.

Former A.J.A. President Leonard Stein said the statement should have opened with an unqualified condemnation of the outrage. This view was opposed by Mr. Charles Waley Cohen who said the blame for border tension lay with the Arab states. It was inevitable that discipline would break down, he said.

Mr. Stein was supported by Professor Norman Bentwich.

U.N. Assembly to Hear Korea Atrocity Charge

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — The U.N. General Assembly decided to debate American charges of Comunist atrocities in Korea after Russia had allcged they were an attempt to slow up the Korean peace confernce.

The vote was 53-5 (the Soviet bloc), with Guatemala and India abstaining. India's V.K. Krishna Menon explained that he felt it "improper" for his country, which is chairman of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission in Korea, "to take part in any way in a discussion which may well concern prisoners of war in Korea." He said his delegation would not participate "in any future proceedings on this item."

The Soviet delegate, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, said that the U.S. was asking for a full debate in the Assembly to "blow up" the Korean peace conference. "It is no accident that this question is being raised at this stage, when American reactionary circles are doing everything in their power to frustrate the conference," he charged.

Mr. Vyshinsky said the raising of the atrocities question was "artificial." There had been no such atrocities committed by the North Koreans and Chinese Communists, "but horrors and atrocities had been committed by the American air forces in their attacks on the peaceful population of North Korea" which had destroyed old men, women and children, and Americans who were there in captivity.

'Going Too Far'

Mr. Vyshinsky was twice interrupted by the Assembly President, Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, for "going too far."

Earlier, the American delegate, Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, had asked the Assembly to accept the recommendation of its steering committee that the atrocities question be placed on its agenda.

Mr. Lodge said there were four reasons why the Assembly should consider evidence accumulated by American authorities in Korea during the war. They were:

1. The acts were committed by forces engaged in aggression.
2. They were committed against military forces sent by the U.N. to repel that aggression.
3. These acts by their very nature, mass murder and other "heinous acts" are of a character which grossly violates the principles of common humanity and decency agreed in conventions having the force of an international law.
4. The forces which committed them today still stood, mobilized and fully armed, North of the Korean demilitarized zone.

West Agrees to Private Arms Talks with USSR

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — America, Britain and France today signed their readiness to hold private meetings with the Soviet Union in an effort to break the deadlock on disarmament.

They joined with 11 other nations in submitting a revized proposal to this effect to the U.N. political committee.

Germ War Confessions Inexcusable, Wilson Says

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Secretary of Defence Charles Wilson said yesterday a Korean prisoner-of-war could not be excused for making a false "germ warfare" confession merely to save himself from Communist reprisals.

"The fact that you risk your life is not enough to let you do the wrong thing," he told reporters at a Press club luncheon.

He said the Defence Department would examine each case on its merits and with the "maximum of human understanding" but also with a "realization that a man, even a prisoner, still has an obligation."

Peking Radio said today that the North Koreans and Chinese had released "depositions of 19 U.S. Airforce officers who carried out germ warfare missions" in Korea and Manchuria.

The airmen had been repatriated as they were not held to be personally responsible for what they had done, the Radio said.

Their statements followed a mass of verified evidence collected by the Communists, the broadcast added.

Secret Talks in Korea 'Serious, Businesslike'

SEOUL, Wednesday (Reuter). — Secret negotiations between Allied and Communist delegates about arrangements for the Korea political conference were resumed at Panmunjom today.

The U.S. Staff expert, Mr. Kenneth Young, said after today's meeting that the talks were again "serious and business like." He said this fourth secret session was "well spent," and then hastily added "every day was well spent here."

The fifth secret session will be held tomorrow.

At the Indian camp nearby, "explanations" to prisoners were still held up.

An Indian spokesman said that guards had confiscated a pocket-size radio transmitter from a Korean war prisoner compound. The transmitter was found being smuggled into the camp in a consignment of rations from the U.N. supply dump. An inquiry is to be held.

Goldmann, Shinnar See W. German President

BONN, Wednesday (UP). — Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Jewish Congress, and Dr. Felix Shinnar, head of the Israel Mission in West Germany, were received by President Theodor Heuss today.

Yesterday, they called on Chancellor Konrad Adenauer to discuss the execution of the Reparations Agreement on which the first annual payment has been made.

Bermuda Talks to Be Informal, Ike Says

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, (UP). — President Eisenhower, at his Press conference today, said the purpose of the Bermuda conference is to discuss informally problems of interest to the three participating Governments.

The President, replying to a question, said there is no agenda for the meeting in Bermuda of himself, the British Premier Sir Winston and French Premier Laniel. He described the forthcoming meeting as conversational by nature on a round-table basis.

In response to another question, the President said he knew of no plans to invite a representative of the West German Government to attend the meeting as an observer.

Concerning his trip to Canada this week, he said it was a courtesy call but during which he would speak before the Canadian Parliament on some problems of common interest to both countries.

TASS Denies Report Of Malenkov-Big 3 Meeting

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The official Soviet news agency TASS, in a message received in London today, denied a foreign press report that Prime Minister Georgi Malenkov contemplated joining the leaders of the Big Three Western powers in a meeting.

U.N. Turns Down Tunisia Motion

NEW YORK, Wednesday. — A resolution recommending direct negotiations between France and Tunisia "to ensure realization of the Tunisian people's rights to self-determination" failed to obtain a two-thirds majority in the U.N. Assembly today and was therefore declared lost.

The U.S. promptly told the U.N. that it should seek to encourage Franco-Tunisian relations and "not discourage them," noting that such resolutions tend to defeat this very purpose.

The final vote on the watered-down resolution, which was amended by Iceland with the agreement of the Arabs and Asians who had given this concession as their last hope to emerge from this U.N. Assembly with some resolution on North Africa, was 31 in favour, 18 against and 10 abstentions. That was five short of the two-thirds majority required.

Voting against the Icelandic amendment calling on France and Tunisia to negotiate were Australia, Belgium, Colombia, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Haiti, Honduras, Israel, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, South Africa and Britain.

Abstaining were Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Greece, New Zealand, Peru, Turkey, the U.S. and Venezuela.

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GOOD OFFICES

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter).—The U.N. General Assembly today voted to continue a Good Offices Commission appointed a year ago to help the Governments of India, Pakistan and South Africa resume negotiations to settle the problem of Indians in the Union.

The General Assembly voted by 42 to 1 (South Africa), with 17 abstentions, confirming the resolution adopted by the Special Political Committee on the "treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa." The resolution reappointed the Good Offices Commission.

Britain Not Moving Embassy to J'lem At Present—Eden

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told the House of Commons here today the Government had no present intention of transferring the British Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

Mr. Thomas Reid (Labour) had asked when it was proposed to do this "in view of the move of the Israel Foreign Office."

Mr. Eden replied, "The British Government do not recognize Israel sovereignty over the section of Jerusalem under Israel control.

"Together with the United States and French Governments they made clear at the time their view that the move of the Israel Foreign Ministry was not calculated to reduce tension between the Arab states and Israel, and might prejudice future consideration of the status of Jerusalem by the United Nations.

"There is therefore no intention at present of transferring the Embassy to Jerusalem."

NEW AIDE FOR EDEN

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill today appointed Lord Reading as a second Minister of State at the Foreign Office to ease the burden on Foreign Secretary Eden.

The appointment was part of a minor shuffle of offices.

Lord Reading moves up inside the Foreign Office, where he has been an Under-Secretary. He joins as Minister of State, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, who heads the British delegation to the United Nations.

Cylon Asks British Governor to Go

COLOMBO, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Ceylon Government which recently banned the British flag and national anthem has served notice that a British Governor-General is no longer wanted in this former Crown Colony.

Prime Minister Sir John Kotelawa has sent a blunt note to Governor-General Lord Soulbury on the subject.

Mr. Kotelawa's note said that "although Ceylon is an independent country there are three points which the people of Ceylon are unable to understand:

"Why in this free land there should be a foreign Governor-General and why should there be an English flag and an English anthem?

"The second and third items have been suitably dealt with as you may note."

Princess Margaret Yields Rights to Regency

LONDON, Wednesday (AP). — Princess Margaret agreed to transfer her Regency rights to the British Throne to the Duke of Edinburgh, the Commons was told today.

Britain's Home Secretary, Sir David Maxwell Fyfe, said he was authorized to state that "Princess Margaret shares the desire of the Queen that the statutory provisions should be amended so that if a Regency should become necessary the Duke of Edinburgh should be Regent."

Sir David added, however, that the proposed amendment to the 1937 Regent Act was confined to the Duke as a "limited exception." If the Duke as acting monarch should die, then Princess Margaret would herself become Regent, he declared.

U.K. Trade Mission To Visit Mid-East

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). — Britain is to send a trade mission of prominent businessmen this month to Syria, Lebanon and Middle East countries producing oil, the Government announced today.

Mr. Derick Heathcote-Amory, Minister of State for the Board of Trade, said the delegation will include Iran and Israel on its itinerary.

Sir Edward Benthall will lead the group which is to depart within a few days. During the five-week tour, the group will visit Baghdad, Kuweit, Damascus, Beirut, Jedda and other commercial centres.

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NAIROBI, Wednesday (Reuter) — Ten tribesmen were executed here ~~today~~ for various terrorist offences.

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Social & Personal

Mr. Behor Shitreet, Minister of Police, visited Beersheba and the phosphates works at S'dom yesterday, together with Dr. G. Brunschwigg, of the United Jewish Appeal in Geneva. Dr. Brunschwigg was tendered a reception at Bet Shalom in Jerusalem yesterday. The Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, Mr. Berl Locker, was among the guests.

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Mr. Sam Watson, member of the British Labour Party Executive, and Mrs. Watson, were received by Knesset Speaker Yosef Sprinzak in his office in the Knesset on Tuesday.

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Senator Arthur V. Watkins of Utah, Chairman of the U.S. Senate Sub-Committee on Immigration, crossed into Israel yesterday. Mr. Watkins was accompanied by his wife and his Staff Assistant, Mr. Robert R. Burton. Senator Watkins has been on a tour of Europe and the Middle East and will spend about a week in Israel.

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Mr. E. Sassoon, M.K., returned by B.O.A.C. from Europe yesterday.

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Mr. D.E. Goitein, former Minister in Washington, returned by B.O.A.C. yesterday from a brief visit to London.

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Mr. Edward D. Mitchell, President of the Beneficial Life Insurance Company, of Los Angeles, California, and Mrs. Mitchell, have arrived in Israel on a short visit as the guests of the Bond Drive and Ampal.

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Lt.-Gen. T.G. Martin, military correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph," was due to have arrived last night by El Al for a 10-day visit as the guest of the Israel Defence Forces.

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Mr. M. Naaz.ani Lubin, Head of the Near East Department of I.C.I. Ltd., London, has arrived on a business visit.

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A farewell luncheon was recently given by the Daily Newspaper Publishers' Association of Israel, at the WIZO Restaurant in Tel Aviv, to Mr. Z. Lieman, who has relinquished his post as Head of the Light Industries' Section in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

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The Minister of Commerce and Industry has appointed Mr. N. H. Bein, head of the Domestic Commerce Department, to the additional assignment of Liaison Officer for Jerusalem affairs.

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The Israel football team returned by El Al yesterday from matches in Greece and Yugoslavia.

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Owing to the death of the wife of the Chairman of the Tel Aviv branch of the Neuro-Psychiatric Society, its scientific meeting scheduled for tonight has been cancelled.

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Mr. David Hacohen, MK, will address the Haifa Maritime and Economics Club on "Our Trade Relations with Asia," at 1:15 p.m. tomorrow. Reservations by phone, 2954.

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SELIGMAN—To Ruth and Harold Seligman, on Tuesday, November 10, 1953, at the Assuta Hospital, Tel Aviv—a daughter. Friends and relatives who intend to send flowers are requested instead to donate an equivalent amount to *The Jerusalem Post*-Sa'ad Hanukka Toy Fund.

HONOUR FOR MCMAHON

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Mgr. Thomas A. McMahon, of New York, was appointed and consecrated as Exarch for Nazareth and Galilee by Archbishop Hakim at a ceremony in the Greek Catholic Church here today. Monsignor McMahon, who is the President of the Pontifical Mission in Palestine, is in Israel on a brief visit.

CORRECTION

Mr. Y. Aran is Administrator of the Hebrew University, and not the Deputy Administrator as reported yesterday.

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Yesterday's Press

The Accuser and Accused

Commenting on the debate in the Security Council, "Ha'aretz" (Independent) feels that an absurd situation has been created: although Jordan refuses to make peace with Israel, she appears in the role of plaintiff, while Israel is the defendant. Should this not convince us that Jordan's policy has been more prudent than ours? The paper proposes that the Foreign Ministry and not the Army should be represented in the M.A.C. According to "Ha'aretz," the most important lesson to be learned, is that our relations with the U.N. Observers will have to be improved.

Writing about "real and false friends," "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) says that it cannot be denied that the present Arab Governments do not wish to make peace with us, but that this does not imply that the Arab people are hostile to Israel. Drawing attention to the recently published declaration of a group of Baghdad students, calling for peace with Israel, the paper says that much more should be done to encourage such gestures. "Five years have been lost as a result of our leanings towards Washington and London, and the result is clearly seen in the Western Powers' anti-Israel attitude in the Security Council."

"Playing with Fire"

"Britain is playing with fire," is "Herut's" comment on recent British declarations about Israel and the Middle East. Britain has apparently decided to renew her struggle against Israel, says the paper, pointing out that the Arab countries' differences with Israel are less difficult to settle than their disputes with Britain. Britain has been using the "Zionist danger" as a weapon to safeguard her position in the Middle East and continues to exploit the Arab countries. It is possible that Mr. Eden will compel us to counterattack in this field too.

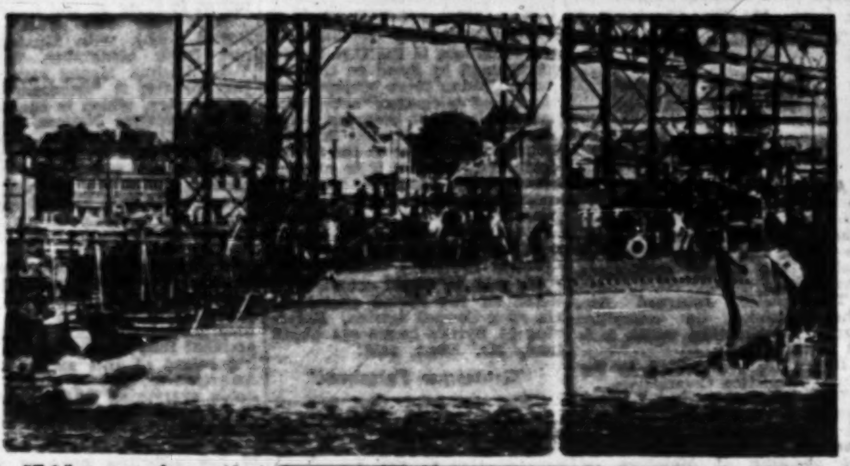
"Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) states that the Security Council debate has up to now not even touched upon the root of the border tension and possible preventive measures. The general intention seems to be to give the Arab countries military and political advantages for expediency's sake. The paper believes that this new form of appeasement will not succeed.

"Zmanim" (Progressive) surveys the wave of Jordan attacks over the past three weeks, since the Western notes condemning Israel's attack at Kibya. The paper says that General Bennike's proposal to increase the number of U.N. Observers will not bring about a basic change for the better; such a change will result only when the armistice agreements are replaced by a peace settlement.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) comments on the proposed draft bill to regulate the Knesset's work, demanding that more serious consideration be given to this matter and that experts should be consulted.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) in theory agrees with endeavours to bring about more political stability in this country but opposes the "ten per cent clause" for general elections. The paper argues that some small parties are "rich in content", and hopes that the General Zionists will also oppose this provision, because it cannot be sure that "it will remain a big party forever."

U.S. Makes Underwater Midget



The "T-2," a new class midget submarine, the smallest underwater craft to be used by the United States Navy since 1905, is launched at Groton, Connecticut. The submarine is 150 feet long, 250 tons and is designed to serve as a target craft in anti-submarine manoeuvres. The midget craft will carry two officers and twelve men.

Express Photo

More Legion Officers Disciplined for Kibya

Additional Arab Legion officers have been disciplined for their failure in the Kibya incident, "A-Diffa," Old City daily, reports. Two new cases of Legion officers, both Arabs, being punished were reported by the daily, although their names and ranks were not given. One of the officers was dismissed from the Legion while the other was demoted.

In Amman, the Arab Legion military court sentenced Sergeant Major Achmed Abdul Aziz of the Ramallah Regional Headquarters, in whose district Kibya lies, to two months' imprisonment for failing to perform his duties during the Kibya attack.

The Arab News Agency reported on Sunday that the Tapline Oil Company of Iraq and Aramco of Saudi Arabia had contributed IL.10,000 (just over £1,000) for Kibya's rebuilding.

ANA also reported that the Lebanese Government has completed the building of new border control posts along the entire Israel Lebanese armistice lines to prevent smuggling and infiltration between the two countries.

King Hussein visited Kibya on Sunday donating 500 dinars to the village elders for distribution, the agency reports.

Royal Land to Finance Egypt's Social Schemes

CAIRO, Wednesday (Reuter). — Property confiscated from members of the former Royal family will be used to finance the new regime's social, health and cultural schemes, a Revolution Headquarters spokesman said here.

The property is estimated at EL.15m. worth of land holdings which have been expropriated under the Agrarian Reform Law.

Ex-King Farouk alone owned more than 14,000 hectares of arable land, his mother and sisters about 1,600 each, while princesses of the Royal family about 20,000 hectares, or a tenth of the total cultivated area in Egypt.

World Population To Be Stabilized in 50 Years

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — The population of the earth, which has quadrupled to 2,500 million in the last three hundred years, should stabilize at about 4,000 million after the start of the next century, two scientists have declared.

They are Mr. W. S. Woytinsky, and his wife, in their report to the Twentieth Century Fund and the Rockefeller Foundation which jointly financed them in a population study.

They said North America, Northwest and Central Europe, Australia and New Zealand already had fertility rates substantially below the level needed to maintain population numbers.

Egypt, Central Africa, parts of Asia and the Near East and South America had scarcely begun the transition to a similar status.

There mortality is high and variable and is the chief determinant of growth while fertility is high and so far has shown no downward trend.

The report added that "it would not be unduly difficult" to increase world food supplies if agriculture and other industries progressed.

Avihail Hospital To Be Given to Medical School

The Minister of Health, Mr. Joseph Serlin, had told a delegation of the University-Hadassah Medical School that the Avihail Hospital in Jerusalem would be transferred to its control.

The transfer is expected to take place before next April. Patients of Avihail, hospital for consumptives will be transferred to other institutions.

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

at 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.
ARMON: My Friend Irma Goes West.
EDEN: Queen Christina.
EDISON: The Lovers of Toledo.
HAZAMIR: Miracle in Milan. 2nd week.
OR-GIL: Long Dark Hall. (2nd week.)
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Forget Past, Judge Tells Diamond Dealers Who Boycotted Germany

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK (Air Mail)—Echoes of the boycott of German goods were heard in the courts here recently when fines of $250 were imposed on two diamond dealers' associations which have a joint membership of over 2,000.

The charge against the associations read: "That there was a meeting of an international association of diamond dealers in Europe and that this organization was represented at that meeting, which passed a resolution under which all members of the international association agreed to refrain from dealings with the German diamond industry and that thereafter, when a representative of this defendant returned to this country (the U.S.), the defendant association passed a similar resolution which forbade its members to deal directly or indirectly with any segment of the German diamond industry; and further that the defendants formed a joint committee for the enforcement of these resolutions; and that thereafter they carried out the resolutions to the detriment of the U.S."

From Belgium, Holland

Entering a plea of *nolo contendere*, Mr. Harry Torczyner, counsel for the defendants, pointed out that the overwhelming majority of the members of the associations were from Belgium and Holland.

Every one of these people has had a direct experience at the hands of the Germans. Their homes were looted, their families were deported. Practically each member lost somebody in World War II—if not in open combat there, through the murderous activities in the concentration camps in Europe.

"There are even members of the diamond centre who can show you not the figures of the German trade, but figures imprinted on their forearms, the tattoos of the concentration camp which the Germans inflicted on them. And that is why the Government knows the mitigating circumstances of this case," Mr. Torczyner claimed.

Judge Gregory F. Noonan, of the District Court, said he could appreciate the feelings of Mr. Torczyner's clients, but he added, "You see, in this country we try to forget the past and live. You cannot permit a cancerous growth to commence and grow in this country which will revive and continue the ancient feuds and hatreds which these people have in their hearts quite justly and which they have brought with them from abroad when they first came to our shores."

Principle Involved

Mr. Torczyner, pointing out that, as America's diamond industry imports $130m. worth of stones every year and as those from Germany total no more than $600,000, the effect of the resolution could not really have been harmful to American commerce, added that it was the principle of the thing that was involved.

The attorney appearing for the Government, Mr. Leddy, said that he had been instructed by the Attorney General that, if the court sought a recommendation as to the fine, it would be $1,000 — considerably less than the maximum of $5,000 permissible.

Judge Noonan: "I will impose a fine of $250. Thirty days to pay."

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Power Transmission Without Wires

GENOA, Wednesday (Reuter) — Professor di Nitto claimed here that he has developed a generator that can transmit electrical power without the need of wires to carry the current.

The professor said the difficulty was that electrical energy by its very nature tended to disperse and could not be channelled in a certain direction without cables. However, he claimed that his generator can transmit electrical power in well disciplined formation.

Llewellyn Wins Equestrian Cup

NEW YORK, (UP). — Lt. Col. Harry Llewellyn, captain of the English equestrian team, won the Royce Drake Memorial Challenge Trophy in International Jumping at the National Horse Show at Madison Square Garden Wednesday night, beating his team-mate Miss Pat Smythe in a jump off.

Llewellyn, on his Olympic champion horse, Foxhunter, turned in two perfect rides over the obstacle course. Miss Smythe on Prince Hal had a perfect ride the first time but in the jump off her horse kicked off the top bar of the double bar fourth barrier.

Ireland's two entries had poor shows. Capt. Colin O'shea, on Kilkarney, knocked down the first, third and fifth barriers for 12 faults and Capt. Michael Tubridy, on Ballynonty, had a refusal on the fourth obstacle and knocked down the fifth, sixth and eighth barriers for 15 jumping faults and one time fault.

England's third entry, Bill Hanson, on The Monarch, knocked down the seventh barrier and had seven jumping faults, as did two of the American riders, Arthur McCashin, on Rusty, and Mrs. Carrol Durand, on Reno Kirk.

For Canada, Shirley Thomas, on Revlon's Princess Midas, had 12 faults, Col. Charles Baker had 14¼ faults and W.R. Ballard had 12 faults.

It was the second straight time that Miss Smythe had lost a jump off. The previous night Miss Thomas and Miss Smythe had both turned in two perfect rides and Miss Thomas had won on faster time.

The Irish horses still were far below form, nervous and hard to control.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ **Archaeology:** — Permanent Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities. 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Daily 9—1, 4—6.
★ **Exhibitions:** — Works by Ze'ev Ben-Zvi; 28 Canadian Paintings; "Girl," by Chaim Soutine; "New Hellenistic and Roman glass vessels". Bezalel National Museum, 9-1, 3-5.
★ **Tour:** — Hebrew University conducted tour, new administration building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.
★ **Film Shows:** — Keren Hayesod. 11.30-12.30.
★ **Theatre:** — "Nasr-a-Din" Chamber Theatre, Edison Hall. 8 p.m.
★ **Lectures:** — By Rabbi Reuven Margaliot and Yitzhak Raphael, on "Literature of Kabbala and Hassidism", as part of a week's lectures on Israel Literature throughout the Ages. "Mossad Harav Kook" Building. 7.30 p.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions:** — Paintings and sculptures by the New Horizons group; Leonardo, the Artist and Man of Science: Museum. 10-1, 4-7.
★ **Theatre:** — "My Sister Eileen", Chamber Theatre, Mograbi. 8 p.m. "Caution, Road Under Repair," La-La-Lo, Jasha Heifetz Hall, 9 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

★ **Theatre:** — Do-Re-Mi. "Countess Maritza," Operetta, Rama Hall. 8.30 p.m.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT, Tel Aviv—Jaffa. File No. 553/53.
In the matter of the adoption of the minor LEORA ROBINS

By virtue of an order of the District Court, Tel Aviv-Jaffa, bearing the date of October, 23, 1953, I do hereby cite all and all manner of persons to appear in the said Court on the date of December 18, 1953 and show cause, if any, why an order of adoption of the minor Leora Robins shall not be given, in default thereof the Court will proceed and grant such order as the Court seems fit.

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6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.45 Vocal Recital (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. "This and That" (R). 4.30 "Where to Go" (Jerusalem). 4.35 Light Music (T.A.) 5.00 Musical Miniatures. 5.30 Child's Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Concert Hall: Simple Symphony (Britten); Latin American Symphonette (Gould); Four Dance Episodes from "Rodeo" (Copland). 8.00 Press Conference. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 The Knesset & its Committees. 9.00 Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. Conductor, Rafael Kubelik: Symphony No. 9 (Beethoven). 10.15 Recital: Shimon Mishori and Avigdor Reis. 10.30 Variety Programme. 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

English News: 1.45 p.m.; 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Opera. 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.30 Mishna Lesson. 5.30 Piano Recital. 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (33.3 49.9 & 460 M.): French: 6.30 p.m. Ladino: 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): 11.15 News & Newsreel. 11.35 Vocal Recital: Bracha Zephira.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 236 & 220 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Classical Requests. 7.20 Today's Events. 7.35 Small Events in the Big World. 7.50 Intermezzo. 8.00 Evening Tunes. 8.30 News. 8.45 Songs. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

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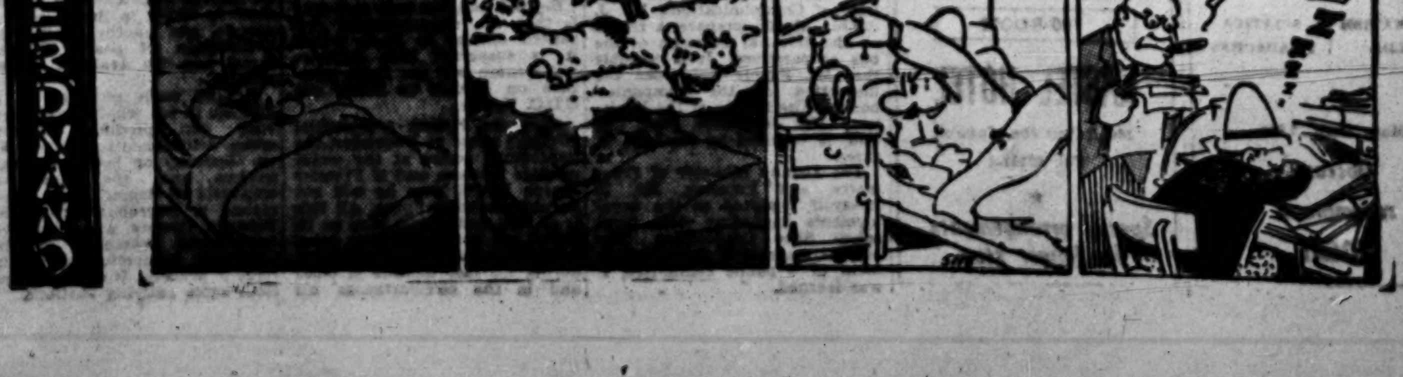

Today's Post Bag

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Shakirya	60	14	25	22
Tel Aviv Port	—	16	23	23
Lydda Airport	56	12	25	24
Jerusalem	65	12	20	18
Beersheba	39	10	25	24
Eilat	22	15	30	29

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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A 23-YEAR-OLD former policeman, Yoseph Natanson, was charged in the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday together with two accomplices, with having stolen a truck loaded with iron on October 13. Natanson was also separately charged with the theft of a private car. He was remanded for trial before the District Court.

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68 IMMIGRANTS from North Africa, Europe and Mexico arrived in Haifa in the s.s. Artza yesterday.

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CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION rose by IL.1,250,000 in the week ending yesterday to IL.137,748,000.

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THE MINISTER of Labour has cancelled the meeting she was to have held with Haifa Popular Housing Scheme Candidates tomorrow.

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A 24-YEAR-OLD Arab infiltrator was sentenced yesterday by the Jerusalem District Court to two years' imprisonment for housebreaking and theft in the village of Abu Ghosh.

IL.406 in Toy Fund Coffers

The sum of IL.156 was contributed yesterday to *The Jerusalem Post*-Sa'ad Toy Fund bringing the total so far to IL.406. Yesterday's contributors are:

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IL.-.500 Mira Maranz, Arieh Housman, Issachar Berger, Moshe Beja, Naftali Nehama, and Alexander Dagan.

60 FINED IN JERUSALEM FOR BY-LAW VIOLATIONS

Fines ranging from IL.1 to IL.4 were imposed yesterday by the Jerusalem Municipal Court in more than 60 cases of violations of by-laws.

The violations included failure to close business premises on time, the placing of building materials in the street, peddling without a licence and the opening of business premises on a legal day of rest.

Many cyclists were fined in the Tel Aviv Traffic Court yesterday following a special police operation aimed at improving their traffic manners.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Fillet: 150 gr., Gimel 1; temp. 24; Frozen meat for invalids: 500 gr. on medical coupons dated August 8.

TEL AVIV: Frozen meat for invalids: 500 gr., Het Gimel 18, Het Bet 6. Poultry for invalids: 500 gr., Het Aleph 3, Het Bet 6. Eggs: 2, Gimel 14; temp. 4, 14; Fish: 150 gr., Bet 21; temp. 41, 9. Frozen fillet: 150 gr., Gimel 1; temp. 24; for labourers: 400 gr., 33.

NORTHERN DISTRICT: Eggs: 2, Gimel 14, temp. 4; for expectant mothers: 8, Heh 21; for invalids: 4, Het Aleph 3; 3, Het Bet 6; 8, Het Gimel 18. Poultry for elderly persons: 500 gr., Mem Heh 21; for invalids: 500 gr., Het Aleph 3, Het Bet 6; for expectant mothers: 750 gr. Heh 9. Carp, 150 gr., Bet 21, temp. 43. Butter for Aleph and Bet cards: 100 gr., Mem Aleph 11, or Mem Bet 11; for invalids: 100 gr. Het Aleph 3, Het Bet 6; Het Gimel 18.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Eggs for invalids: 4, Het Aleph 3; 8, Het Bet 6; 8, Het Gimel 18; Carp: 150 gr., Bet 21; temp. 41.

Settle on Land, Labour Minister Tells Able-Bodied Men Seeking Work

By SRAYA SHAPIRO, Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

A solution for the unemployment problem is impossible unless able-bodied young men settle on the land, Mrs. Golda Myerson, the Minister of Labour, told the Knesset yesterday, opposing a motion to debate unemployment. The motion was introduced by the three left-wing factions — Mapam, the Communists and the Left Socialists.

Earlier in the morning, a delegation of Ramle unemployed asked to be received by the Knesset. As House rules forbid receiving delegations during sessions, the Public Relations Committee held that the delegation should be seen by the Labour Committee at the session's end. Meanwhile, Communist and Mapam Knesset members heard the delegation, which was accompanied by Mapam representatives on the Labour Exchange.

"It would help matters more if those who incite the unemployed into demonstrations, would explain to them the necessity and prospects of rural settlement," Mrs. Myerson said.

It appears that the number of jobless has increased of late in the Ramle District because the new cement factory employs fewer workers than had been employed on its construction, and the Jewish Agency depot has discharged many employees as a result of the decrease in immigration.

Mrs. Myerson said there were 16,000 unemployed, and 40,000 registered in the Labour Exchanges. The Government was making efforts to raise funds to provide public works in anticipation of the citrus picking season, which is to start in mid-December.

P.E.C. Agreement

A new agreement is being discussed between the Government and the Palestine Electric Corporation under which the Government would acquire the controlling shares in the Company, Dr. Dov Joseph, the Minister of Development, told the Knesset. This arrangement supersedes a former proposal that the P.E.C. and the Government enter into an equal partnership, agreed to in principle at the time, but discarded after Dr. Joseph assumed his post late in the summer.

Dr. Joseph was opposing a motion by Mr. A. Zisling (Mapam) to put a discussion of the P.E.C. on the agenda. The Palestine Electric Corporation, he said, was producing 180,000 kwh. at present, but when the new generator is installed in Tel Aviv, the output would be raised by 50,000 kwh. By 1957, the country would get 430,000 kwh — including 24,000 from the Jordan power project.

The P.E.C. is to supply 13,500 kwh. to Jerusalem by the end of this month, he added.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Bernstein, said he would welcome a debate on cartellization, as demanded by Dr. B. Avniel (Herut). It was indeed lamentable, Mr. Bernstein said, that despite public control, which aimed at the preservation of maximum prices, the producing companies controlled minimum prices.

Passport Issue

He said he was aware of such practices, but thought they were difficult to prove. Dr. Avniel included agricultural producing companies and inter-urban transport companies among the public and private interests which he said maintained prices at an artificially high level.

The Minister of Interior, Mr. I. Rokach, said he had proposed to the Cabinet that Israel passports be issued only to persons who had lived in Israel for at least two years. It was too easy for light-headed persons with an itch for travel to come to Israel and obtain the first legal document of nationality they had had in many years — and then leave the country.

Such cases were also cited by Mr. I. Raphael (Hapoel Hamizrahi), head of the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency, who moved that a debate be held on the causes of emigration. Such persons, Mr. Raphael said, were misusing the Israel passport and creating a poor reputation for Israel. The issue was referred to the Interior Committee.

Only 30% of Jobless Can Farm, House Told

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"I have earned an average of 220 pruta per day for the past 11 months," a member of a delegation representing Ramle's unemployed told the Press in Jerusalem yesterday.

The 24-man committee, representing 800 unemployed, and including a town councillor and members of the Labour Council, was received yesterday by the Knesset Labour Committee.

On an earlier occasion, delegations had visited the Labour Minister, another representative said. She had urged them to settle on the land. He stated that only 30% of the families involved could go, due to the severe health and age stipulations set by the Jewish Agency. In addition, families returned from settlements, where, he claimed, they had insufficient and poor land, discouraging others from settling.

Factories Closed

In the past two and a half months, a number of factories have closed or cut their staffs, emergency relief work has been stopped, and the employment situation became dangerous, the spokesman said.

For picking a kilo of olives, work which was formerly done on a wage basis, the worker receives only 85 pruta, in place of last year's 90. Even the most efficient pickers can reach a maximum of only 20 kilos daily, or IL.1.700. After Labour Council intervention, the price was raised to 105 pruta for the 100 workers involved.

This raises their wage to a total of just over IL.2 per day for the best pickers. The situation has led to parents bringing their children to work with them, in order to raise family earnings.

In the past 14 weeks, the workers were given an average of 14 days work, at an average IL.3 net daily. After deducting *ma'bara* rent, electricity and union dues, the workers were left with about IL.26 per month — IL.1 per day, they pointed out.

The workers get no Histadrut benefits, another member stated. The Municipality is bankrupt, its Council sees no further purpose in meeting. It was to have received IL.1.5m. from the Development Budget, the town councillor claimed, but has not received a pruta.

ONE MORE UNEMPLOYED

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — An Arab infiltrator was caught and handed over to the police somewhere in the Negev today. The Arab, who carried a suit of working clothes, claimed that he had crossed the border to seek employment.

National Safety Council To be Formed

The establishment of a National Safety Council under the auspices of the President and consisting of representatives of the public, the Government and the police, was announced by the Minister of Communications, Mr. Joseph Saphir, at the official opening of Safety Week in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Saphir pointed out that in 1952, 228 persons had been killed in road accidents, and the situation had not improved in 1953.

Vegetables Flood Nation's Markets

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — For the first time since before the War of Independence the country's markets are saturated by vegetables, and by next spring large surpluses of milk are most probable. This was revealed today by Mr. Nahum Verlinsky, Director-General of Tnuva, the giant cooperative for the marketing of agricultural produce which in the 1952-53 season marketed 72% of all produce. He was speaking at the annual national conference of Tnuva's Council.

The situation has come about mainly because the purchasing power of the population has been reduced and also, though to a lesser degree, the farmer has expanded.

Mr. Verlinsky berated the retailer, who, he said, worked for high profits, trying to handle as few goods as possible. He accused the retail trade of contravening fair trade practices and charging beyond the maximum price. Mr. Verlinsky called upon the Ministry of Commerce and Industry to remedy the situation.

Mr. Verlinsky thought that the time was ripe to lift price controls on milk and at the same time subsidize it to keep prices down. Controls on locally-made butter should be lifted and permission should be granted to market cream. Both these moves would absorb milk surpluses, he said.

The Tnuva director spoke in favour of subsidies and the encouragement of farmers by the Government with particular emphasis on new settlements.

He particularly took issue with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, claiming that it hindered agricultural expansion by supporting "certain class interests." He cited as an example the fact that the Ministry opposed Tnuva's establishing a wine industry, indicating that there were doubts whether the present wine presses were capable of catering for export.

Egg Production

Speaking about agricultural prospects for the current year, Mr. Verlinsky said that egg production will remain constant; poultry meat may increase if the Government supplies fodder steadily, the production of carp will increase by about 10% and the catch of salt water fish should increase with the forthcoming addition of ships to the fishing fleet and continued fishing off Turkish shores.

Tnuva sales reached the IL.80m. mark in the 1952-53 season, a figure which includes IL.4.2m. in exports. This is a 50% increase over the preceding year.

Mr. Verlinsky estimated that the real increase in sales amounted to 10% to 12%, whereas the bulk of the increase was the result of higher prices, the reduction in the value of the pound and the increase in the cost of production.

Wholesale prices in the two years under comparison rose as follows last year: milk 40%, eggs 49% fruit 38%, carp 47%, and vegetables 18%.

In the discussion that followed, speakers demanded that the Government plan the growing of vegetables on a national scale, that Tnuva build factories for the production of hard cheeses and that the Government, the Jewish Agency and Tnuva form a special fund to help new farmers.

Polio Virus Identified

CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts, Wednesday (Reuter). — Two American scientists have isolated and identified definitely the human polio virus, making it possible to analyse the chemical makeup of the infantile paralysis agent and to determine many of its properties, it was reported here today.

Dr. Wendel Stanley, Director of the University of California Virus Laboratory, reported the achievement of his colleagues, Dr. Howard Bachrach and Dr. Carelton Schwerdt.

The achievement climaxes 15 years of research by scientists.

The report said the scientists had definitely established, isolated and recognized the virus and knew its size and shape.

The new knowledge was expected to contribute materially in the fight against the crippling disease by providing more definite facts about the virus.

M.D.A. Doctors to Strike

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Medical Association has called a stoppage of work from November 22, of doctors in the Magen David Adom blood bank, in view of the institution's alleged refusal to fix salaries for those doctors on a par with other members of the profession. A warning strike on October 30 made no impression, the Association claims.

State Sums Up Against Berman

HAIFA, Wednesday. — District Attorney A. Rabinovitz today began summing up the State's case against David Berman, Mayor of Hadera, who is facing 30 charges of forgery, false claims and embezzlement in the District Court here.

He said that the issuance of payment orders under wrong budgetary headings and that camouflage of the names of the recipients testified to a thought out plan. Berman's claim that he did not know of this was unacceptable.

From the many testimonies a sordid picture of the working methods of the Municipality had emerged, the District Attorney said. Berman not only signed these orders, but supported the things done in the Municipality and this, in spite of the fact that he was an experienced public servant and not neglectful of his duties.

Hard to Believe

It was hard to believe that Berman signed payment orders automatically as he claimed, and he had himself testified that he had paid special attention to payments to employees. Yet, the prosecution had produced many payment orders to employees made out to false names.

The prosecution had demonstrated three different types of forgery by the accused, Mr. Rabinovitz said. These were payments to employees under "borrowed" names; payments which did not appear in the budget at all; payments that appeared under camouflaged headings.

About the IL.322 that City Engineer Y. Shamir received, Berman himself testified that the payment was made on the basis of a personal agreement with him, the District Attorney charged. The sum did not appear in the budget and Berman had to hide it in order to avoid questions. The prosecutor asked the Court to rule that the payment was made under a false name with the knowledge and consent of Berman.

The summing up will continue tomorrow.

PRESIDENT VISITED DURING MOURNING

A flow of visitors from all parts of the country and from all sectors of the population — including Cabinet Ministers, Rabbis, Jewish and Arab Knesset members, representatives of workers and a group of Druze students from the Hebrew University — came to the President's home to comfort him during the seven days of mourning for his father.

The President and his family wish to thank all those who have shared their grief. They also wish to convey their appreciation to the hospital of the United Home for the Aged, the management, the doctor, and the nurses for the care and devotion which they showed to Mr. Zvi Shimshi during his illness.

Republicans Win In California

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — The Republican Party came back to win the last skirmish of the 1953 Congressional bye-elections with a sparkling California victory achieved before a sensational spies-in-government backdrop.

Mr. Glenard L. Lipscomb, Republican, is the newest member of the House. When Congress meets in January the Party standing will be:

Senate: Republicans 47; Democrats 48, Independent 1.

House: Republicans 219; Democrats 215; Independent 1.

The Republicans won with their backs to the wall. Democrats had taken five successive Congressional bye-elections this year up to yesterday's California polling.

Mr. Lipscomb's victory in the election marked a reversal of a trend of Democratic victories across the nation. His nearest opponent, Democrat George L. Arnold, said in conceding his defeat that "I have no way of knowing if the attack on former President Truman through the Harry Dexter White charges had anything to do with the election results and I hope it did not."

Communist Bogey Is Victory Formula

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Wednesday. — The Republican bye-election victory in California gave them a score of one out of three in the recent congressional bye-elections, all in normally Republican districts. This strengthens the hand of the McCarthyites in the country, who claim the only way to win an election is to raise the Communist bogey among the Democrats.

Between the elections of last week and yesterday the Attorney-General, Mr. Herbert Brownell, reopened Communist charges against Harry Dexter White, once Mr. Henry Morgenthau's assistant, who died years ago. As a result the House Un-American Activities Committee subpoenaed former President Truman, raising complex constitutional question still unresolved. Mr. Truman is consulting lawyers.

LOCUSTS INVADE JORDAN AND SYRIA

Large swarms of red flying locusts have invaded Jordan and Syria, according to an Arab News Agency report from Amman.

Jordan Ministry of Agriculture experts predict that this season's locust invasion will be as serious as the famous locust invasion of the Middle East in 1930.

Jordan Valley School To Receive Jerusalem Flag

The "changing of the guard" of the Flag of Jerusalem will take place at 3 p.m. today in the courtyard of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem.

The flag is entrusted annually to the school which has distinguished itself by devoted work on behalf of the Jewish National Fund. This year it will be handed over to the Jordan Valley school at Degania Aleph.

Saud Calls Israel 'Land of Criminals'

Israel was called a "land of criminals" yesterday by King Saud in his first official statement on Israel since he assumed power, ANA reports.

Israel's attack at the "Arab fatherland" was an attack against the entire Arab world, he said.

Queried if he prefers the East or West, he said that the side that helped him fight his enemies was his friend.

An Egyptian delegation yesterday left Cairo for Riadh to convey General Nagib's condolences to the King.

Armistice Day Marked On Mount Scopus

A memorial ceremony for men and women who fell in both World Wars was held at 11 a.m. yesterday — Armistice Day — at the military cemetery on Mount Scopus.

Mount Scopus policemen and employees of the Hebrew University and Hadassah participated.

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stated.

Earlier yesterday, persons presumed to be Communists distributed leaflets calling upon the workers to leave work and take their families in a demonstration march to the Ministry of Commerce Building, where Mr. J. Sugarman, the Corporation's Managing Director, and Mr. Susayeff, the Deputy Minister, were meeting.

After a 15 minute work stoppage and talks by union and management representatives, the workers decided not to demonstrate.

Spokesmen for the Shoes and Tanneries Division of the Manufacturers Association told a Press conference in Natanya yesterday that they were pleased with the setting up of the committee (an idea which they said they had initiated); but that they will nevertheless renew their application to the High Court for an order nisi against the Ministry of Commerce and Industry to show cause why they should not be given Government priority similar to those allegedly granted to the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation.

Mr. D. Lifshitz, of the Association, denied that the Shoe and Tanneries Divisions were constituted as cartels. "There is as much as a 20% differnc between prices of shoes," he said.

Mr. Lifshitz stated that there was an agreement to divide a German Reparations Fund allocation of about $500,000 at a ratio of two-thirds to the Association and one-third to the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation since the latter allegedly admitted in writing that they did not produce more than 34% of the national output.

Mr. B. Ostrov, Secretary of the Tanneries Division, admitted that raw materials are divided among the manufacturers according to a scale modelled on the one in operation during the price control period.

Delay Fertilizer Schedule a Month

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Because of minor technical snags, which had been foreseen several months ago, the production of superphosphates by Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited, has been delayed by just under a month, it was learned here.

Of the total 30,000 tons which the company was to supply this agricultural season, 24,000 tons will be delivered by the end of November, and a further 6,000 tons during December. The plant is now producing superphosphates at the rate of 6,500 tons a month, which will, from now on, comfortably meet all the country's requirements.

Prices will, however, continue to remain high until low-cost rail transport is available. When the railway link to Beersheba is completed, the cost of carrying Negev phosphates for processing in Haifa will drop sharply, and compare with the price of this raw material in North Africa.

At present, a ton of superphosphates costs IL.40, at the factory, of which IL.8.500 is spent on transport from the Negev to Haifa.

THE JERUSALEM Municipality announces that a 3% deduction will be granted to all persons who pay the second part of their Property Arnona, the General Arnona and the tax for garbage removal, during the month of November.

Kishon Reservoir To Be Completed Soon

AFULA, Wednesday. — Seven million cubic metres of water will be stored early in the coming rainy season in Lake Kishon, one of the largest reservoirs in the country about to be completed on the Kishon near Kfar Baruch, in the Emek.

In later stages of construction, the reservoir will be enlarged to 25 million cubic metres capacity, Mr. Chisik, Director of the Water Planning Authority, told reporters at the site of the work yesterday.

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TALKS AT BERMUDA

BY now the name Bermuda might not possess the glamour it had last May when Sir Winston Churchill first suggested a step towards West-East negotiation, but it might not be too late still, to emulate Tennyson's Ulysses, and seek a newer world. It will probably remain an open question for a long time to come whether direct talks in early summer would have been of much avail. As it appears now the expectations of a radical change in international relations and a rapid decrease in East-West tension which were nursed at that time by the more sanguine political observers, perhaps not altogether without foundation, were very much exaggerated.

Following a futile exchange of notes between Moscow and the Western capitals, the impression gained in the latter was that "Moscow will not talk," as this week's "Economist" put it, while Marshal Voroshilov on the occasion of the October Revolution anniversary again spoke about "imperialist encirclement." Russia did not even reply to the twofold invitation for Lugano, while the U.S. was not prepared to meet the Chinese within the framework of such a conference. Moscow insisted on assurances that the defence alliances of the West would be shelved as a precondition for sitting down to talks on Germany.

This at least was the impression gained not only in New York (where an "I-told-you-so" atmosphere prevailed all the time) but also in London and Paris. In recent days it has been stated in Moscow unofficially that this impression was a false one, and that Russia was not opposed to high level talks in principle. It will be the task of further diplomatic contact to find out if and why Moscow has been misunderstood, and *vice versa*, and what the new conditions for a high level meeting must be.

Official circles in Paris are not over-enthusiastic in view of the timing of the conference. "Why Bermuda now", was the headline of yesterday's "Le Monde". The present French government is necessarily a caretaker government in view of next month's Presidential elections which will be followed automatically by the resignation of the present government.

The position of the French representatives in Bermuda is perhaps not enviable, but a similar difficulty existed last June at the time of the six-week crisis. What has changed since then is the modification in America's stand *vis-à-vis* China which is encouraging, though probably overdue. On this basis it will be much easier than hitherto to find common ground among the Western allies: it might well be that a third invitation, too, will be turned down by the East. This, however, should not perhaps be regarded as a foregone conclusion.

There is of course a possibility that the talks at Bermuda might go off in an entirely unpredicted direction. Our London correspondent points out today, in a despatch on the forthcoming meeting, that it is "improbable that the Western Powers will seize the opportunity presented by the Kremlin's economic worries to force a peaceful Russian retreat from some outlying bastions." It is to be hoped that this analysis is, in fact, correct but the possibility still remains that in order to redeem the conference from its apparently pre-ordained fate of utter futility some such dubious achievement might be snatched at. Experience at the present meeting of the Security Council hardly gives one a feeling of secure confidence that the statesmen of the West today are in the frame of mind to place the ultimate alleviation of the world's tensions before the chance of grasping some temporary advantages.

Sir Winston Churchill's War Memoirs (XVI)

STALIN 'MUM' on GREECE

BRITISH troops (resisting a Communist coup in Greece during December, 1944) were still fighting hard in the centre of Athens, hemmed in and outnumbered. We were engaged in house-to-house combat with an enemy at least four-fifths of whom were in plain clothes. Unlike many of the Allied correspondents in Athens, our troops had no difficulty in understanding the issues involved.

Amid these tumults Field-Marshal Alexander and Mr. (Harold) Macmillan (then Minister of State) arrived in Athens. We received the first reports of their mission on Dec. 11.

Our plight was worse than we had expected. Alexander telegraphed, "The British forces are in fact beleaguered in the heart of the city." The road to the airfield was not secure. We were not in control of Piraeus harbour, so no ships could be unloaded there.

Only six days' rations and three days' reserve of ammunition were left for the troops fighting in the city. Alexander proposed to clear the port and the road to Athens at once, bring in immediate reinforcement from Italy, and build up supply dumps, and, "having linked up securely both ends of the dumb-bell, to undertake the necessary operations to clear the whole of Athens and Piraeus."

He also pressed Leeper's (the British Ambassador) proposal to appoint the Archbishop Damaskinos as Regent, and asked for stern measures against the rebels and permission to bomb areas inside Athens.

Free Hand

On Dec. 12 the War Cabinet gave Alexander a free hand in all military measures. The 4th British Division, on passage from Italy to Egypt, was diverted, and their arrival during the latter half of the month turned the scale. I told Alexander that the Greek King would not agree to the plan for a Regency. The suggestion that the Archbishop should be called upon to form a Government satisfied no one. The political reaction at home to these events showed a clearer and calmer view.

At this moment an astonishing leakage of official secrets occurred. The reader will remember my telegram to Gen. Scobie (the British Commander in Greece) dispatched at 4.50 a.m. on Dec. 5. This had been marked "Personal and Top Secret Repeated to Gen. Wilson," and of course was in cypher. A few days later an American columnist was able to publish practically an exact copy of it. All our communications were menaced thereby.

It happened that the next day the Trades Union Congress was to meet in London. There was naturally much anxiety about our policy in Greece, and Left Wing forces were astir. It seemed probable that the publication of the drastic terms of my message to Gen. Scobie would produce a bad impression. However, the matter was not mentioned at the Trades Union Congress, nor indeed did it attract any attention in Parliament.

Mr. Bevin represented the War Cabinet at the Congress, and with characteristic loyalty and courage he defended and vindicated our policy in Greece. He carried the whole conference with him, and by an overwhelming majority the trade unions gave their support to the Government and proved once again their stable and responsible qualities in great matters.

Warning from Hopkins

I received from the Greek 3rd Mountain Brigade, which had been fighting loyally with us, a message of thanks for our efforts to protect their country and of grief because British blood was being shed. They asked me to become their Honorary Commander. But from Harry Hopkins came another warning.

16 Dec. 44.

Public opinion here is deteriorating rapidly because of Greek situation and your statement in Parliament about the United States and Poland.

With the battle joined as it is in Europe and Asia, with every energy required on everyone's part to defeat the enemy, I confess I find myself greatly disturbed at the diplomatic turn of events, which throw into the public gaze our several difficulties.

I do not know what the President or Stettinius may have to say publicly, but it may well be that one or both of them must state in unequivocal terms our determination to do all that we can to seek a free and secure world.

We were all agreed on this aim, but the question was whether it could be achieved by allowing the Communists to seize all power in Athens. That was the issue at stake.

Prime Minister to Mr. Harry Hopkins

17 Dec. 44

I am distressed and puzzled by your message. I hope you will not hesitate to telegraph me on any points on which you think we, or I personally, have been in error, and what you would advise, because I have great trust in your judgment and friendship even if I may at times look at matters from a different angle. All the President's telegrams to me have been most kind and encouraging and also his telegram to U.J. ("Uncle Joe") may do a world of good.

Naturally I should welcome any public statements in America which set forth the aims stated in your last sentence. These are also ours. We seek nothing for ourselves from this struggle.

Prime Minister to President Roosevelt.

17 Dec. 44

About Greece. The present position is that our representatives on the spot, Macmillan and Leeper, have strongly recommended the appointment of the Archbishop as Regent. This is obnoxious to the Papandreou Government, though they might be persuaded to advocate a Regency of three, namely, the Archbishop, Gen. Plastiras, and Dragoumis.

There is suspicion that the Archbishop is ambitious of obtaining chief political power, and that, supported by E.A.M., he will use it ruthlessly against existing Ministers. Whether this be true or not I cannot say. The facts are changing from hour to hour. I do not feel at all sure that in setting up a one-man Regency we might not be imposing a dictatorship on Greece.

There is also to be considered the fact that the King refuses, I think inflexibly, to appoint a Regency, certainly not a one-man Regency of the Archbishop, whom he distrusts and fears. According to the Greek constitution, the Crown Prince is Regent in the absence of the King. The King also states that all his Ministers under Papandreou advise him against such a step, and that, as a constitutional monarch, he cannot be responsible for it.

The War Cabinet decided to await for three or four days the course of military operations. Our reinforcements are arriving rapidly, and the British General Staff Intelligence says that there are not more than 12,000 E.L.A.S. (Communist guerrillas) in Athens and the Piraeus. The Greek King's estimate is 15,000-22,000. Anyhow, we shall by the middle of next week be far superior in numbers. I am not prepared, as at present informed, to give way to unconstitutional violence in such *circumstances*.....

... I am sure you would not wish us to cast down our painful and thankless task at this time. We embarked upon it with your full consent. We desire nothing from Greece but to do our duty by the common cause. In the midst of our task of bringing food and relief and maintaining the rudiments of order for a Government which has no armed forces we have become involved in a furious, though not as yet very bloody, struggle. I have felt it much that you were unable to give a word of explanation for our action, but I understand your difficulties.

Meanwhile the Cabinet is united and the Socialist Ministers approve Mr. Bevin's declarations at the Labour conference, which on this matter endorsed the official platform by a majority of 2,455,000 votes to 137,000. I could at any time obtain, I believe, a ten to one majority in the House of Commons. I am sure you will do whatever you can. I will keep you constantly informed.

U.S. Change

It is odd, looking back on these events, now that some years have passed, to see how completely the policy for which I and my colleagues fought so stubbornly has been justified by events. Myself, I never had any doubts about it, for I saw quite plainly that Communism would be the peril civilisation would have to face after the defeat of Nazism and Fascism.

It did not fall to us to end the task in Greece. I little thought, however, at the end of 1944 that the State Department, supported by overwhelming American opinion, would in little more than two years not only adopt and carry on the course we had opened, but would make vehement and costly exertions, even of a military character, to bring it to fruition.

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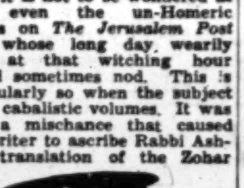
"AND it came to pass at midnight," is a famous text on which Rabbinic commentators, cabalists and neo-cabalists have depended a whole chain of strange and esoteric happenings. Thus, it is not to be wondered at that even the un-Homeric scribes on *The Jerusalem Post* desk whose long day wearily ends at that witching hour should sometimes nod. This is particularly so when the subject is the cabalistic volumes. It was such a mischance that caused one writer to ascribe Rabbi Ashlag's translation of the Zohar which Prime Minister Ben Gurion is taking with him to his retreat in S'de Boker—to Sh.L. Gordon whose initials are Sh-L-G (and read Shalag in Hebrew), the 20th anniversary of whose death was then being celebrated. The error, however, was hardly as strange as the transmogrification through which Rabbi Ashlag himself has passed from being a social revolutionary years ago to the leader of a cabalistic sect in Tel Aviv today.



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MOST of our newspapers, while bemoaning the imminent departure of the Prime Minister, to take up residence in the Negev, are stressing that after all the settlement is not so far away from the Capital. Bumping our way down along the kaolin road we found it far enough, but if ever there was a quiet place to write a book then this is it. The only thing likely to disturb Mr. Ben Gurion in this vast and silent place is the youngest pioneer in the Negev, the lusty four-year-old son of one of the settlement's founding fathers. The only child in the kibbutz, he insists on doing a man's work and when father doesn't want to take him on survey trips into the back-of-beyond the boy swings on his pistol holster and yells loud enough to be heard in Jerusalem. We asked him how he liked living in the Negev and he pointed out south into the forbidding hills and said "There, there is the Negev."

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COMING back through Sdom we met up with a party of Ulpan students who were finishing their course with a tour of the South, an excellent opportunity, one would think, to use a little new and interesting Hebrew. By the time they got to Beersheba, on the way down, English was the order of the day. By the time we got back to Beersheba again even the teachers were speaking Engish and the students correcting their mistakes.

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WASHING off the dust in Beersheba we finally went and had our shoes shined at a row of formidable brass-capped boxes administered by immigrants from Rumania. We were charged 350 pruta for the pleasure and when we protested the whole cartel set up a howl: here we are, pioneering in the desert aren't we?

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WHILE the old Negev hands still favour the *keffiya* to keep off the dust, there is no doubt that our national headgear is now the beret. While the stricter believers have always supported this covering, the military nature of our times has also made its impression. Recently an elderly man, obviously in his seventies, entered a bus and sat down next to a small girl and her elder sister. "Look" said the smaller one, "a soldier." The man turned crimson but he sat up straight and a wide and gratified smile gradually spread over his face, as though he was a seventeen-year-old girl who had been told she was beautiful.

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NOTING our comment on the educational value of signs in Czech trams and our own buses, a reader has reminded us of a little sign near the door of Dan's conveyances which is probably unique. It reads:

PLEASE STEP INSIDE THE BUS

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HAVING gone to the Post Office this week to apply for a radio licence, we received, of course, a little form to fill out, and discovered that in order to receive such a licence we needed the signatures of two responsible citizens. Now that income taxes are being reduced we are afraid we may have to supply a Police Certificate of Good Behaviour before being allowed to pay our taxes at all.

Today's contributors include: E. Traubner of Tel Aviv and G. Yogev and C.P.D. of Jerusalem.

THE unveiling by Mr. Jack Prevezer of a
MEMORIAL TABLET
and the naming of the Leah Prevezer Hall erected by the Brighton and Hove J.P.A. Committee will take place tomorrow, Friday morning, November 13, 1953
at 11 a.m.
at the Keren Hayesod House, 53a Rehov Hayarkon
Tel Aviv.
Members and friends of the family are invited to attend. Further information can be obtained from the Israel Office of the Zionist Federation. Tel. 67940, Tel Aviv.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

King Saud

SAUD Ibn Abdul Aziz, the new monarch of Saudi Arabia, was born at Riadh on Shawal 3 1319 according to the Hijrah (1901) on the night preceding his father's swift occupation of that town. His unusual cleverness was soon obvious and at the age of ten his father entrusted such tasks to him as the supervision of punishments meted out to traitors and obstinate servants.

At 14 he was sent by Ibn Saud to Katar, an Arab Emirate in the Persian Gulf; at 19 he headed a troop which quelled the rebelling Afbah and Sirah tribes. Soon after this he was appointed as Commander in Chief of Saudian troops; in this capacity he led campaigns against tribes in Nejd and Asir.

Emir Saud made his first visit abroad in 1933 when he travelled to Egypt to meet King Fuad, Sa'ad Zaghlul and other leaders. This visit was the first contact between the desert Prince and the Arab nationalist movement. From Cairo his way led to Rome where he was Mussolini's honoured guest. Later visits took him to the U.S. and on his return he entered politics and was proclaimed Crown Prince.

Several months ago King Saud made a tour of Arab capitals; in Jordan in particular he made a good impression by thoughtfully supplying himself with 82,000 dinars for alms. A trip from the Old City airfield to the Haram el Sharif and back cost the Prince 5,000 dinars, handed to well wishers in one dinar notes. Last month, King Ibn Saud, then already paralyzed, gave his eldest son the post of Premier in addition to his place as Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces, with wide jurisdiction over his ministers and army commanders.

GIDEON WEIGERT

NAVAL MANOEUVRES CLOSE

Sgan Aluf Har El on the bridge of his ship as naval vessels return from manoeuvres. Photo by Suesskind

Keeping Calm in Jordan

By RAWLE KNOX

AMMAN, (OFNS). — AS JORDAN's Lower House began its new session, the Government was doing its best to calm the people, and stem the fury raised by the recent incidents on the Israel border. Tension is still highest in the area of Kibya, scene of the raid on October 14 in which 53 Arabs were killed.

The five or so Opposition members in the 40-strong Lower House are preparing to take every opportunity once more to blame the Western Powers. The Government has, however, recalled Huza'l Majali, the former moderate Opposition leader, from the United States, where he had spent little over a month of his intended three months' stay as the guest of the Point Four (economic aid) organization. He has been made the Interior Minister, in the hope that he may act as a bridge between Government and Opposition.

Although the 43-year-old Premier, Dr. Fauzi el-Mulki, says for the public ear that his patience with Israel is exhausted, over the past week he has, in fact, done everything in his power to control popular indignation. There has never been the slightest suggestion that regular Jordan forces would retaliate; but diplomatic observers here naturally fear that another Kibya would provoke beyond control the people west of the Jordan, who suffer from a chronic dread that the Jews are still trying to push them back across the river.

Nor is another incident of a similar nature believed to be unlikely. It is clearly Israel policy to put a stop to the frequent infiltration from Jordan territory.

Along this side of the 100 kilometre frontier live a host of Arabs who have lost their lands or homes or both, and who see nothing illegal in making looting forays — and they carry guns more naturally than walking-sticks — into their old homeland. The Israelis can hardly be expected to appreciate this viewpoint.

Readers' Letters

KIBYA AND BORDER WAR

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — From a Jewish moral point of view the attack on Kibya is an unpardonable matter which on no political account can be justified. Jews are commanded to avoid innocent bloodshed.

Kibya caused the State of Israel and the Jewish people great damage and soiled the Jewish name. Arab infiltrators will, as a result of the incident, not cease to disturb our border villages. Perhaps this error will prove that this type of violence is not the way to build and develop a Jewish country.

Yours, etc.,
ABRAHAM BRUENN
Tel Aviv, October 28.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In connection with the recurrent border incidents, it is interesting to read what Hendrik van Loon wrote as far back as 1923 in his "Story of the Bible":

> Unfortunately, border warfare is apt to be very brutal. Whenever the Philistines burned down one Hebrew village, the Jews retaliated by destroying two Philistine villages. Then the Philistines thought it their duty to plunder three Jewish villages and the Jews, on their side, went further and pillaged four Philistine villages. It was an endless chain of mutual murder, during which very little of importance was accomplished.
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> But almost every country, during the early period of settlement, passes through such an agony of bloodshed. It would be foolish, therefore, to blame the Jews for certain crimes which the ancestors of all of us have committed and which are in no way typical of one particular race of men.

Is Mr. Dulles no longer a Bible reader? Is not history simply repeating itself and is not Israel once more fighting the Philistine?

Yours etc.,
S.O.
Haifa, October 27.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir — I presume many people have noticed the unfriendly attitude of "Time" magazine towards Jews generally and Israel in particular. However, the issue of October 26 surpasses all that went before in its hatred and mockery of the Government and people.

The "colourful" description, full of poisonous information presumably fed to them by Arab propaganda, describing the attack on Kibya is a disgusting article and the matter should not be allowed to rest there.

Yours etc.,
A.L.
Ramat Gan, October 27.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—Keeping in mind the sympathy every right-minded person feels when the innocent suffer, a sentiment so ably expressed by Prime Minister Ben Gurion in his historic speech, may I quote the words of the British Judge of the Mandatory period, for a true perspective of the situation: "Those who come to seek justice must come with clean hands."

The Jews simply did in one night what it took the Arabs several months to do—and what they have been doing for years, with little apparent reproach from the outside world —so that it is not a matter of quantity rather than morals. If the Jews are to blame, are the Arabs blameless?

Yours etc.,
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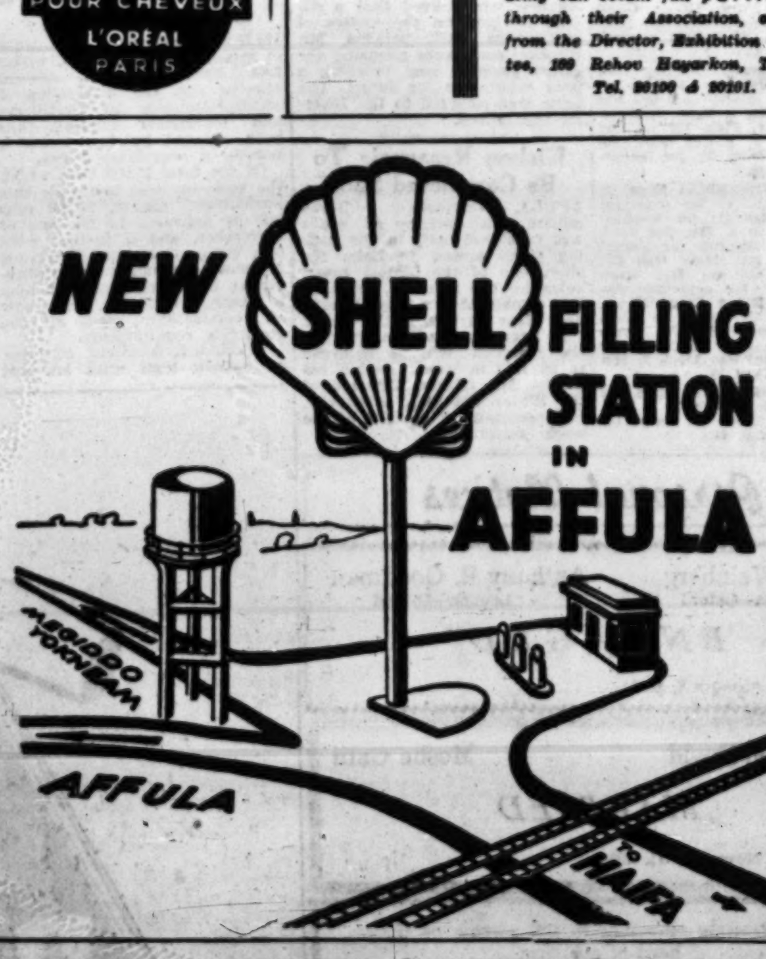

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